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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 11, 2005**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 11, 2005, please amend the above-identified  
application (the "Pending Application") as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.**

**Remarks begin on page 6.**

**Conclusions begin on page 8.**